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California Association of Alcohol and Drug Program Executives, Inc. (CAADPE)

Mission Statement

CAADPE is dedicated to empower and encourage the recovery community, including their families and significant others, to contribute to and actively participate in public dialogue about alcohol and other drug services.

What is CAADPE?

The California Association of Alcohol and Drug Program Executives, Inc. (CAADPE) is a non-profit professional association of alcohol and other drug abuse program directors. CAADPE is the only statewide organization representing all modalities of alcohol and other drug abuse treatment programs.

CAADPE is the sponsor of the AWARE Program (Always Working toward Advancing Recovery Environments). The AWARE program encourages self-advocacy for those in alcohol and other drug treatment, persons in recovery, family members and significant others. The premise of the AWARE program is that understanding what people in treatment and recovery, family members and significant others think about alcohol and other drug treatment will result in better services. To facilitate this process, the AWARE program hosts conferences, educational programs and training around the State.

CAADPE sponsors professional education and training programs and conducts public

education about the need for quality alcohol and other drug abuse services to meet community needs. CAADPE's standing committees review policies and make recommendations to the Board of Directors. Services Provided Advocacy: The Association and its members are involved in political action at the state, county, and federal levels.

Communication: Officers and staff of CAADPE meet regularly with members of the Legislature and officials of the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs to bring forward the concerns of the Association's members and to participate in any anticipated or planned decisions regarding regulatory and fiscal actions.

Education: Educational and training materials are developed and disseminated from time to time to enhance the knowledge and skills of service providers.

Networking: Promotion of cooperative networks among public and private entities and alcohol and drug service providers is accomplished by holding regular meetings, providing telephone assistance and referrals in addition to the annual conference.

Benefits of Membership

- Researches and reviews state legislative bills, and informs members about those impacting alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and treatment programs, clients and providers.

- Monitors budget items related to the funding of alcohol recovery and other drug abuse services.
- Analyzes the impact of proposed changes to funding and disseminates the findings.
- Conducts annual membership meeting and public policy conference in Sacramento. The conference addresses major management and public policy concerns facing the substance abuse field.
- Regional chapter meetings to exchange information review and formulate strategies on local issues.

For more information on CAADPE you may contact the membership office at (916) 329-7409 or (800) 288-1222 or visit their website at <http://www.caadpe.org>.